

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL BRANCH, LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND JUSTICE

Call to Order: Chair Steve Gibson, on February 8, 2011 at 10:30 A.M., in Room 317A
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Steve Gibson, Chair (R)
Sen. Ryan Zinke, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Randy Brodehl (R)
Sen. Steven Gallus (D)
Rep. Cynthia Hiner (D)
Sen. Edward Walker (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Stephanie Fletcher, Committee Secretary
Pat Gervais, Legislative Branch
Brent Doig, OBPP

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Committee Business Summary:

Executive Action: Judicial Branch

00:00:18 Chairman Gibson

EXECUTIVE ACTION:

Judicial Branch

00:00:56 **Motion:** Sen. Walker moved that **THE 5% PLAN REDUCTION OF \$247,949 GENERAL FUND PER YEAR (AND FTE OF ABOUT 1.40) ASSOCIATED WITH "REDUCE DRUG COURTS BY 35% BE RESTORED.**

Discussion:

00:01:14 Sen. Zinke

00:01:58 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:02:14 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved **TO ADOPT DP 4001 NEW JUDGES AND STAFF WITH THE AMOUNTS OF \$478,777 IN FY 2012 AND \$476,476 IN FY 2013 WHICH REFLECT THE REMOVAL OF FUNDING FOR 0.50 FTE POSITION NUMBER 21101022 - JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT.**
Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:02:59 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved **THAT GENERAL FUND BE REDUCED BY \$70,669 PER YEAR AND STATE SPECIAL REVENUE BY \$2,000 PER YEAR TO REFLECT THE REMOVAL OF BASE LEVEL FUNDING FOR SELECTED CONTRACTS.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:03:23 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Hiner moved that **GENERAL FUND IN DISTRICT COURT OPERATIONS BE REDUCED BY \$100,000 PER YEAR AND STATE SPECIAL REVENUE FROM SUPERVISION AND OTHER FEES BE INCREASED A LIKE AMOUNT.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:03:48 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Gallus moved **THE FOLLOWING DECISION PACKAGES BE ADOPTED:**
DP 1002 RENT NORTH PARK BUILDING
DP 1003 DRUG COURT FEES
DP 2001 JUDICIAL STANDARDS APPROPRIATION RESTRICTED/BIENNIAL
DP 5001 WATER COURT RENT INCREASE
Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:04:19 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Zinke moved **THAT GENERAL FUND SUPPORT BE INCREASED BY \$434,055 PER YEAR TO RESTORE A PORTION OF THE PERSONAL SERVICES REDUCTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE 5% PLAN REDUCTIONS. POSITIONS THAT ARE NOT RESTORED BY THIS REDUCTION INCLUDE: 21101410 ACCOUNTING/FISCAL POLICY ANALYST (0.50 FTE); 21108806 IT BUSINESS ANALYST/TRAINER (1.00 FTE); 21103003 JUVENILE PROBATION (1.00 FTE); 21111007 FAMILY EVALUATOR (0.50 FTE); 21113033 YOUTH COURT PROGRAM ASSISTANT (1.00 FTE); 21101022 JUDICIAL ASSISTANT (0.50 FTE); 21115006 JUDICIAL ASSISTANT (1.00 FTE).** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:05:54 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **GENERAL FUND SUPPORT FOR OUT OF STATE TRAVEL BE REDUCED BY \$3,582 PER YEAR.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:06:33 Pat Gervais, Legislative Fiscal Division

[EXHIBIT\(jch31a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jch31a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jch31a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jch31a04\)](#)

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment:

00:07:46 Chairman Gibson

Stephanie Fletcher, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jch31aad.pdf](#))